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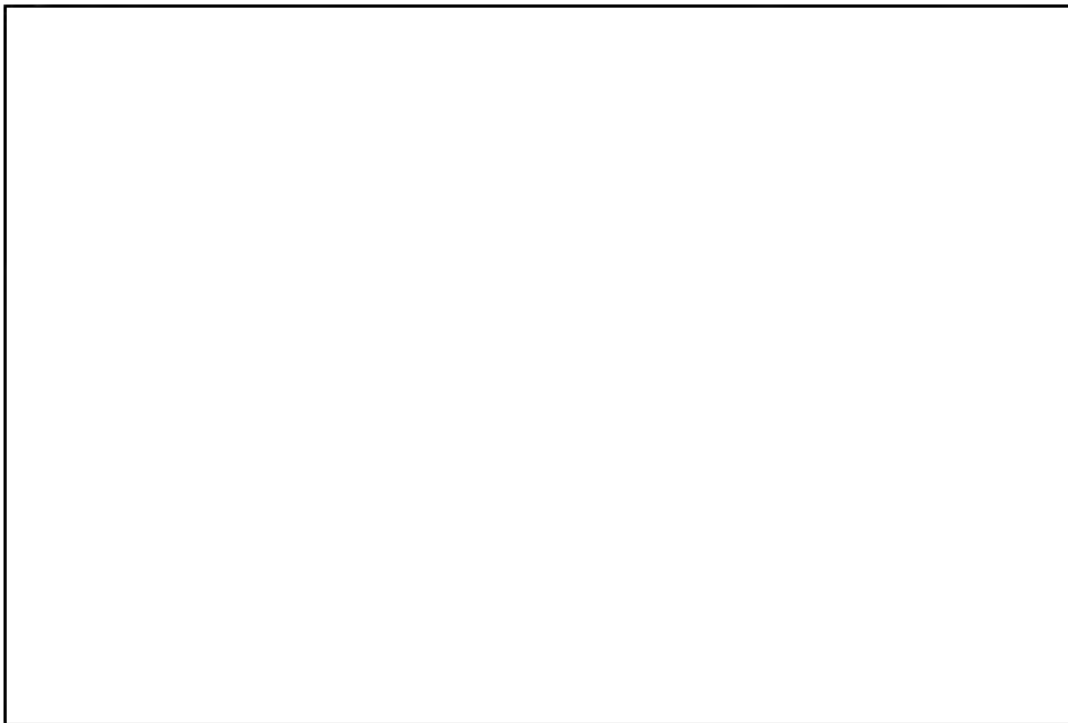
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Israel - Arab States: The Israeli Government will no longer retaliate against the Arab governments which are aiding the fedayeen but will strike against fedayeen bases instead, [REDACTED]

The air strike of 24 February on the fedayeen bases in Syria may have been the first manifestation of this experiment. The Israelis hope that the new policy will "destroy" the terrorist leadership, eliminate commando bases, and "isolate" the fedayeen from the Arab population. If, instead, these activities provoke military retaliation by Arab governments, the Israelis calculate that they would then have international public opinion behind them when they in turn strike directly against the Arab governments.

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Should there be an incident during the week-long period of mourning for Eshkol, particularly by a fedayeen group, Israeli reaction might not be limited to tactics spelled out by this policy. [REDACTED]

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